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world good fellowship, the bonds and his history cannot forget that it was interdependence between England and Washington bureaucracy which, be-America should be made unbreakably fore our civil war, insisted on cling-

opportunity to come in a winner as triumphs of the South. the world.

up by about one-third, or, to be exact, struggle. We said then: £104.717.078, of raw materials to be worked over into finished articles in British shops by British workers. The rest of the increased imports consisted of £153,000,000 manufactured goods and £48,000,000 food, drink and

eye on these mounting imports he was spreading himself to exercise his ability to turn the crude materials into finished goods and to sell those goods in the world's markets as they

of finished goods, many of which were must be a properly balanced sea reexported to and paid for by the power, with capital ships to match supplies were drawn.

proximately one-fourth the British ncrease, we should be blind indeed far outstripped us in the contest for

United States.

These organizations are not only educational but they develop a spirit of thrift which makes for a bear fixed habit with the passage of time. and in that way our whole economic and text, is bigger than ever. Can profitable baul to the direct injury system is benefited.

the Department of Agriculture of podful is necessary to feed a family of rect detriment of the whole commuhand was estimated at \$232,777.27. A total of 712 exhibitions were held winners amounted to 80,681,11.

The department reports that a fea- tainer.

by members of the boys' and girls' standing alongside big Betelgeuse? clubs. They frequently scored in com- No; it is a little boy beside a Mary In the fourth place, not to antici-

boys and girls of to-day will run the least a day. culture.

### Airplanes and Capital Ships.

It was Great Britain which bore the brunt of the war affect, and as a result of grim experience Great Britain, after centuries of staking the security of an empire on ships of the line, grants that naval supre to be would if dropped from a reno longer rests with the superdread-It was Admiral State who com

manded our naval fighting forces in Ple. We shall not attempt to describe the crimsoned waters of western Europe, and after studying first hand and on the spot the increasing work and the growing value of the mo weapons, submarines and airplanes Admiral Sms warns the United States Government that the effective ness of the capital ship has been greatly reduced by the marvellous derelopment of aviation, with its planes which are the eyes of both armies and navles and as well engines of known to train a Hubbard squash, terrible destruction.

forbidden in warfare.

Rapid Transit Essentials.

merit attention:

city with them.

In the following extracts from a

"You remember Mayor GAYNOR'S

observation of the cornfield route of

the subway over in Queens? Well,

it is the cornfield routes that are

bankrupting these concerns and the

"If you will go over to Brooklyh

some day and look around you will

find among other things four of the

most costly railroad systems of two

and four tracks running to Coney

Island. These lines traverse long

spaces where there is hardly a house

in sight and not five passengers an

hour to maintain stations costing

alone \$150,000 and up to build. In-

stend of four of these lines one would

not pay but would suffice. They

cannot be made to pay in twenty-five

"After looking over Brooklyn ride

over to Queens, where you will find

a costly four track subway running

through places where there is not a

house to a block. These systems

cannot pay for more than twenty-

five years, no matter what fare you

"After viewing Queens ride up to

"Remember these are the most

"But the remedy is not higher

the Bronz and White Plains exten-

years, no matter what the fare,

THE NEW YORK HERALD does not ships, our Government goes on with so dwarfed his turnips that two men like Mr. Austen Chamberlain's Fri- a programme to build capital ships could lift one turnip from the ground day night speech at Birmingham. In as we never dreamed of building at maturity. tone and in imputation it is irritating them before. When Admiral Sims cannot overlook the fact that he did When Admiral Fisks and others af- gument seem plausible at first blush. firm the protests of Admiral Sims The errors of fact and conclusion In the interest of world peace and the American bystander who knows the tronclad came to challenge first its dominance and then its very ex-Britain as a World Workshop. istence. He cannot forget that it was Details of the United Kingdom's across the dead body of such bureauforeign trade for 1920 show that Eng. cracy, so to speak, that the monitor

the foremost manufacturing nation of As far back as June, 1917, when we were just getting into the war of The imports for 1920 were priced wars, this newspaper called for all st £1,936,000,000, compared with the airplanes our money, our genius ,626,000,000 in 1919, an increase of and our enterprise could contribute \$310,000,000. The increase was made to the sure and quick winning of the

> be so expanded as to include two distinct branches, one to do the work the airplane is now doing, but to do it on a greatly enlarged scale; the other branch, a branch of enormous numerical strength, to be assigned to bombing raids on the enemy forces, the enemy lines of transportation, the enemy submarine bases, the enemy navy."

sion. You will find another subway running through farm lands where often not one passenger gets on an costly rapid transit lines ever built in the world.' They would not pay even though the most cheaply built on earth and operated by Chinese tabor at 50 cents a day. It is this that is bankrupting them and the city precisely as I wrote seven or fares, so far as pertains to any inside zone of these lines in Manhattan or The Bronx proper. The remedy cannot be applied except by economy and ceasing to haul people sev-

enteen miles through vacant farms for one fare." Now, in the first place, it is fundamental that public service must be for the people as a whole. It is so as to the police and the fire departtransportation facilities. This does not mean that as many trains and as many cars must run over "cornfield

quate service everywhere. There are not, for example, ten postal deliveries in the business seclarger service is required to dispose truly applied. of the mass of postal matter without which the business and welfare of this whole community would suffer layed, automobile places may be slow But in its measure an adequate ser-

formed in youth becomes a early spring lies refulgent before us is profitable. For the matter of that, The souls of men may be growing there are few private undertakings smaller under the pressure of greed all of whose business is profitable. it be possible that more than one of part of the public and to the indinity, but so to balance the general Nations may be crushed and dwarfed charge, organize the service and pro-

boasted of 1.186 clubs with a member- a bunch of it. And it is self-growing, immediately upon the second, it is ship of 23,480. Of this number 12,786 self-blanching, almost self-crunching, not merely the failure of the present made reports showing that 731,709 It is not a slient celery, but we think cornfield routes to earn profits that is eggs were set. From these 510,478 Mr. Burnank will yet produce an impoverishing the city and bankruptchicks were hatched. The value of almost inaudible variety.

The products sold was set at \$94,791.

The outer world may lack red blood, Systems that have no cornfield exwhile the value of the stock on but here are tomatoes whose litho- tensions at all, systems that operate graphed cheeks set the catalogue afire. in the very heart of the thickest traf-Owing to the present high cost of fic, are in desperate strafts. Morewith 5.615 competitors participating, baskets it may be well to say that over, a very little improvement in The prize money divided among the five and sometimes six of these to- general operating costs or in net mattes may be put into a bushel con- earnings of profitable territory, however achieved, would put the very

petition against those of other and Garden cabbage, 1921 variety. One of pate the future of this marvellously As I strode down the long slopes of the these cabbages chopped into cold slaw expanding city would be economic Every encouragement should be would supply all the restaurants be madness and municipal betraval. It given to these juvenile breeders. The tween Shamokin and Shantung for at was only a generation ago that the country to-morrow. And there is This vast enowy bulk that fills a street was sand lots and goat donothing more important than, if there page is not the summit of Mount mains for miles and miles. Now it is is anything else as important as, im- Everest. It is a cauliflower. It is solid masonry by the ten thousand planting in their minds now the dig-nity and the opportunities offered to that the cauliflower weighs five some-that The Bronx was a great space intelligent men and women in agri- things. It must be tons." One ounce of scattered hamlets or of agriculof seed," says the catalogue, "will pro- tural stretches. Now it is a colossal duce about 3,000 plants." He who municipal population.

The industrial and financial power, sowed a pound would crush his neighthe commercial supremacy, the wealth, The student of naval warfare will the greatness, the very existence of New York proper, all depend on the see the end of dreadnoughts by looking on page 19 of the seed catalogue. capacity of its transportation service to carry our millions of workers to One eggplant of the size which the and from their homes safely, rapidly illustration indicates the new variety and decently. And every year by the hundreds of thousands they must live pectable height upon a capital ship further and further from the busisend it to the bottom draped in purness centres because there is no more room for them in the already conwhat would happen to a battleship gested districts and quarters. struck by a catalogue pumpkin or

watermelon. The idea is too horrify. And there is only one way to make sure of this necessary transportation ing. These vegetables should be dequacy. It is to throw all the lines into one unified system with whatever Now is the time for the amateur water is in them squeezed out. It is gardener to get his seed catalogues. to eliminate all possible duplications In the next three months he can of overhead costs and management devise methods for keeping the plecosts. It is to make all operating tured vegetables within the limits of methods produce the largest possible his yard. One commuter has been results. It is to have the unified sys tem on so solid a business basis that two rods long in the picture, so that there will be a bigger and better serwhen he picked it he was able to get vice immediately out of what facilities we now have and a steady extension of old lines and construction of new lines, with abundant equipnent. And a single fare!

This is Governor MILLER's plan It is the one solution of the overshadowing transit problem of the first letter of a taxpayer who asks that city in the world.

### Saving Historic Buildings.

The Swampscott, Massachusetts, posterity the John Humphrey house, which, as nearly as can be determined, has been standing in that town near the shores of Massachusetts Bay for 284 years. If the date of its building can be fixed as of the year 1637-some students believe it lates from 1634—then the John Humphrey house will be recognized as the oldest in New England, ante dating the Fairbanks house in Dedham by one year.

The Historical Society has had the title traced and a copy of an old map made from the original in the British Museum. These go to show the struc ture it proposes to buy and preserve is the one dwelt in by HUMPHREY. who was assistant to Governor Win-THEOP. Some doubt has been exressed as to whether the building is he original house, a question having been raised as to the probability of fire baying destroyed that structure The final test of this is to be made through the famous elm tree which, until last year, when it was blown down in a storm, stood in front of the house. The rings of the elm trunk As you sit in the summine and blim And I'm glad you are having such pleas are to be counted by the best authority available. If this should prove the tree to be at least 280 years old the Historical Society will feel it has proved its case, for the elm stood so You best and most charming of men, close to the Humphrey house it could not have escaped a fire destroying that structure.

when it is saved this house will be the third of such interesting structures preserved by historical societies and their friends within recent months. The others are the Harrison Grav Otis house standing at the corner of Lynde and Cambridge streets Can't write, for my fingers are freezing.)
Oh, do hurry home. And that's that! in Boston, which has been practically restored by the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities, and General Knox's headquarters at Vail's Gate, in Orange county about four miles southwest of Newburgh.

To breathe again a favoring breeze 'Neath skies that are blue and war. ervation of New England Antiquities, Dating from 1754, this stone and wooden structure is rich in memories To float a space near a quiet shore wooden structure is rich in memories

After the driving gales,

Apart from the hurtling crash and rogulshed Americans as Washington,

Of the storm king's angry walls. as to the police and the fire departments: it must be so as to lighting and telephone utilities no less than transportation facilities. This does than know Headquarters Association proposes to make of this structure a historical museum.

The Yankees' new home is to be So mean that, in the vital interest of larger than the Polo Grounds, but not the city itself, there must be adecannot occasionally lam the leather, as Homen would say, over the fence.

"Intolerable" and "unthinkable" are While old Boreas sits and laughs; tion to one or two in the outlying favorite words with statesmen large Shout your blasts with weird means, districts merely to favor unduly the and small. In about one-tenth of 1 Teiling us of memories of bygone days people in the congested parts. The per cent, of instances the words are

General Dawss refuses to say it with

JACK DEMPSET IS going to Europe. which General Caowper sent over three | On his arrow so sleek and slim,

The passersby at Thirtieth street f silver coins strewn on the pavement brough the bursting of a bag. Nothe money, though no policeman was near the spot. The average man is Light footed cloud, far wild rover, onest and such incidents as this prove it.

In a symposium of opinions as to the supposed relexation of manners You are the footloose, wand'ring oneamendment, "More clothes, ess paint," is his formula for a return Lendon lights in a mist of rain; to the good old times.

Mount Personatepett in Mexico is showing signs of increased activity. Nature is unkind to the republic on the southern side of the Rio Grande. eruption her volcanoes burst forth.

The Variety. Knicker-What is Smith's smite Poems Worth Reading.

A Winter Night. Retween the pastures, all was fawless

Save where the lofty pines upon the In the pale moonlight like dark statue

The little woodland stream that by m

And sang in springtime as in

Was silent now, as is an eremite Who broods on God in his austere abode was alone, yet I was not alone,

That was as rapture blent with

Wait for a time when to thee shall b What seemeth sorrow meaneth

CLINTON SCOLLARD.

What It Was.

Did you know it when it came? Did you know it first and last? Did the earth remain the same Where the feet of it had passed?

Did it give the magic sign When you met it face to face? Was the commonplace divine, The divine a commonplace?

Was there none of this befell? Were you stranger to the thrall? There is nothing, then, to tell, And it never came at all. MCLANDBURGH WILSON.

Betrayed.

The slender Birch in robes of ice, Resplendent in the silver dawn, Stands waiting for her love, the W Who sweeps across the white

The braggart, laughing, boldly woos; She trembles in his rude embrace. She yields—her gleaming grace is lost The Wind has gone—his love wa

Her white vell rent, her scattered jewe The Swampscott, Massachusetts, Lie at her feet throughout the morn; this torical Society has undertaken the She wrings thin arms and moans aloud In hopeless grief, betrayed, forlorn.

The Journey.

From the Westminster Gasette. It's a wild night for a soul to go. Stars shine, but winds blow And the flood tides flow.

It's a long road to the nearest star, Where the band of well beloved are, But I shall reach it, near or far,

A wild night for a naked soul To cast aside the broken bowl And start for the distant goal. A wild night and a lonely way,

And Death is terrible, they say, Yet methinks I like his looks to-day. And glad I'll lay my garment by And fling me forth to the windy sky When Death rides by.

A long road to the nearest star, Where the band of well beloved a But I shall reach it, near or far. L. Le Mesurien.

To Friend Husband In Florida. From the Chicago Tribune. It seems a long time since you left m

To roam 'mongst the flowers and fruit And I sigh o'er the fate that bereft me You write of your languor and leisure

(There are mice in the pantry, think.) I hope you get thoroughly rested.

(The skylight is leaking again.)

(They haven't delivered our coal.)

Within the harbor gates,

Idly to dream the hours away In the slowly dimming light.
Soon, too soon, to drift from the bay
Into the fathordless hight.
Marel Douglas.

Blow, ye winds from the frozen north, Recalling the nights of the long ago. world to me was a drea untold. Which my boyish fancy yearned to ex-

He missed the large touring party I see old Abaris flying through the all Struggling to escape your wintry Of scenes that to me will come no more. and Broadway spent a refreshing ten Sing a song to me of romance and love; minutes yesterday picking up and re-storing to their custodian half a bushel And take from my heart its sadness and

JOHN JAT LINDLEY.

To a Cloud.

What lands and seas are you roaming over? The stars are still, the moon and the

and morals among present day young Porcelain cities, blank eyed gods; men and women LEE SHUBERT pre- A golden Buddha that broods and node: sents an epigrammatic contribution Thatched roofs, hawthern, an English lane.

> A sea of lewels, Venice at night Gondolas, gliding in golden light; Beauty and color-too swift to see Dirt and squalor and misery. Even now you are drifting away,

The smoke of factories hides the bar High on the hills, the air is clean, Grass is bright and the trees are gree Oh, take me up-like a wave on the sea. Take me with you, take me, take me! ABIGAIL W. CRESSON.

# New York Theatres Seventy Years Ago

### Broadway's Famous Actors, the Bowery's Thrills and the Minstrels of Just Before the Civil War.

To THE NEW YORK HERALD: The in- | Dursuing Hessians, gave a thrill. "The

the folks in many ways, though many Williams in their "Ireland as It Was" and "Ireland as It Is." "Billy Bow- strel artists who drifted to Wood's "44"

ture as a roller boy NEW YORK HERALD'S Franklin presses.

lighted the lovers of the burlesque. Bur- upon the world's stage. ton's in 1654 gave way for a municipal Burdell in Bond street gave the news-Lafarge and the theatre were rebuilt, the "The Black Swan" were attractions. latter as the Winter Garden with the Wallack's was at the southwest co Heron at Wallack's.

The Purdy Theatre, in Chatham street near Pearl street, is recalled by Jay Hall, on the east side of Broadway be-Gardner Blay's reference to Chanfrau's tween Spring and Prince streets, was the "sailorman's delight," for as soon as Jack Tar landed he took his Susan an annex to the Metropolitan Hotel. to Purdy's. Jack shouted at the wit. Jay P. Dee's reference to Harry Beckett tience at delays. For instance, while shouted, "Use yer fingers and go on with

There was a theatre at the junction of Chatham Square, Division street and curred when the actress threw open a oor as she said, "The sea breeze is so refreshing," and wondering why the audience laughed, turned and instead of the sea breeze saw stage hands arranging the next scene.

The Bowery, the temple of thrills, had four tiers of circles and a pit with board benches at one shilling a seat, the best to be secured by a struggle. The odors of pickled pigs' feet, tripe and peanuts the dropping from the top gallery of various favors, the rush of the bouncers to drag out offenders, gave the balcony and family circle aristocrats about as uch excitement as the play.

Notwithstanding these incidents, the Side's best families. Its favorite actors included Mr. Hamlin and his wife, Mrs. Shaw, Susan and Kate Dencen, the and the tragic Eddy, the comedian Jack Wi- Keene. nans and his relative by marriage, Little Maggie, in child parts. Who has not when the manhood of New York took heard of the famous Maggie Mitchell's "Cricket on the Hearth," her first effort on the Bowery stage?

There were Cooney and Taylor—their acting dogs and young Cooney as the nonkey. "Israel Putnam" and his flying horse rushing down the almost per- Henri Marcoure.

There were Cooney and Taylor—their preserved found their dear little old tional museum at Vienna until removed by Hapsburg heirs; now demanded by dreamed of seventy years ago.

Henri Marcoure.

3. Cullinan diamond, discovered in ing horse rushing down the almost perpendicular cliff, escaping the fire of the

tween it and the Battery sea wall. I slek. "The Corsican Brothers," with vinced of the value of bumpers, believe Jenny Lind closed that favorite Eddy and Goodall in mortal combat, the As to the causes of automobile accibattle of Palo Alto and other events of dents the following record is submitted.

was Franconi's circus in the lot sur-rounding Corporal Walsh's roadhouse at was heard to say: "We have to pass an the attraction. I recall that the the-rounding Corporal Walsh's readhouse at atre was burned on a Saturday after- Broadway. Twenty-third and Twentynoon, for it ended my first week's ven- fourth streets, and there were many free for one of THE and easy and model artist shows.

This was the hoop skirt period, the Burton's was in Chambers street op-posite the City Hall, and there the im-ers of the light, short skirts of to-day fashions of which would shock wearmense English comedian, with Brougham, could they now witness the acenery the equally famous Irish comedian, de- which women of seventy years ago put

How many can recall the Broadway building. Burton and Brougham were Theatre on the east side of Broadway. opposite the City Hospital, which fronted Lafarge, in Broadway opposite Bond Street, but fire destroyed both the Saturday night before the intended Monday was the Tabernacle at the southeast corner of Breadway and Howard street where Katherine Hayes, the Irlsh songster; Theodore Thomas's orchestra and

Wallack's was at the southwest corne "Fat Bs" in their burlesque of "Camille," then being played by Matilda Hoey, Charlotte Cushman, Lester Wallack, Mr. and Mrs. John Drew and Ma-tilda Heron were the stars. Mozart given more to music and variety.

Niblo's Garden was reconstructed as

and Lydia Thompson at this theatre revives pleasant incidents. There also appeared the Ravel family in their wonthe audience was outraged when on derful pantomime plays; Mme. Robert, Othello repeating his demand for "the the dancer; Louisa Pyne and Harrison handkerchief," an impatient sailorman in English operas; the Italian operas se yer fingers and go on with with Mme. Gazzana, Adelaide Phillips, Such comments were the charming American contralto: Amerule at Purdy's Chatham Theatre in the dio, the Caruse of his day, and Brignoil.

There were lively protests against the

advent of ring and sawdust on Niblo's stage. Nevertheless, Van Amberg's cirof Chatham Square, Division etreet and cus aggregation did its turn. Bolivar, the Bowery. I was taken there to see the "largest trained elephant in captive the "largest trained elephant the "larges Jerstanding the sweets of the story I ity," was to walk a tight rope, but no was, like most boys, impressed with to venture on the stage. Mr. Blake, of considerable weight and egg shaped, was called and questioned as to the safety of the stage. "It's perfectly secure," he exclaimed as he walked out on the stage. This convinced Bolivar, for he followed close behind Mr. Blake, who was the manager.

The Academy of Music, Fourteenth street and Irving place, and the Astor. Fourth avenue, were equally famous, though the Astor went down after

Forrest-Macready riots. In the early '50s Burton and John Brougham opened the Winter Garden east side of Broadway between Hous-Bowery audiences represented the East stars appeared Joe Jefferson, Sothern, in view of the recent arrival of a great ning, E. L. Davenport, George Jordan and the charmingly

This period may be said to have ended the nation's stage. Their deeds were 1770 on what is now the northern edge told in history. Those was returned of Czecho-Slovakia, weighing 10.93 from fields of battle with the Union Troy cunces, or 1,655.9 carats. In na-

Sr. AUGUSTINE, Fla., February 3.

logfers, that it will take men from the

ABRAHAM TAUB. NEW YORK, February 5.

J. Francis Murphy's Art.

Which Influenced His Pictures.

NEW Your, Pebruary 5.

To THE NEW YORK HERALD: Some one

ns, but to some degree it will help.

# A Sunday Morning Need. Persons Who Would Benefit if the

Libraries Were Open All Day. To THE NEW YORK HERALD: I have often wondered why the New York Pub-lic Library and its branches are closed A Tribute to the Personal Qualities on Sunday.

How many times have I seen reopie

waste their Sunday mornings by standing around the streets doing nothing! has said that a nation is made up of On a bright Sunday morning one may the living, the unborn and its noble was assassinated and the great atone take a walk in the open, but at this time dead. Last week I met Murphy on the was stolen and cut up to disguise it, one of year there are likely to be slushy street-one of the living. To-day he is Sundays, and one would welcome a with the noble dead, with Inness and Ilbrary where one could read the morn- Wyant and Weir and Winslow Homer years ago and weighing 193 carata and ing paper or anything else that may be and all those to whom art was more another part being the present Kohlthan a business or a thing to play with, noor, which first weighted 156 carats, A good many people of our metropolis "Art is long and life is short."

have libraries in their homes, so that short it seems when one like him, at to improve its brilliance, and lastly to when it rains they can sit on their comfortable couches and read the Sunday the exalted host! papers or some book. Not all people, how- A painter may be honest and not a of the Austrian crown jewels. ever, are so fortunate as to have a home great artist. He cannot be a great artist artist. The outstanding rived in New York and said to weigh where the library is the dining room, the quality of J. Francis Murphy was honparler and the reading from it com-bined. This room on Sunday is totally ness, simplicity and the human sym-inadequate for study. Just imagine the pathy which is the true democracy. mes where they have one of these These qualities speak eloquently from libraries and where there are five or six his beautiful canvases. They speak being 120 carats. children in the family. When Sunday above his consummate craftsmans comes they have no place to do their craftsmanship untainted by sophisticahome work. Then think of the callers tion. His pictures speak that are liable to come. his fellow artists but to the layman. I am well aware of the fact that the

main building of the New York Public that of Corot and Inness, in that he lived Library is open on Sunday from I P. M. to see his fame and reap his material to 10 P. M., but not everybody can spare reward. I doubt if there is any one an hour to travel, for it takes at least living to-day where death would, among half an hour to go to the main build. American artists, leave a more genera ing from the upper or lower section of sense of personal loss. Manhattan.

Many are they who have never been inside the walls of a library. Many retail storekeepers, such as the great and Cleveland. The forces of

tall storekeepers, such as the grocer and order and civilisation need them. the butcher, would welcome the opening of the branch libraries on Eunday. Every a true champlen to nght for truth and branch library should be open Sunday honesty and the undefied.

CHARLES VEZIN. If these men and wemen who are try-

A 400 Pound Shark on a Rod. have the public libraries open on Sunday they would be mounting a big step Correspondence of the Field. toward their success. Many young men who loar near cigar stores on Sunday. The February, along with three friends, I many of those who visit cheap moving picture theatres, many of those who waste their time in and near the saleons—and we cannot deny that there are the saleons—and are still many saloons in spite of prohibition—many of these people would
the in the library on Sunday if it were
open. I do not say that the opening
of libraries will do away with all the
pendicularly—a great fighter."

enary, which piece of lick fell to my row
and which piece of lick fell to my row
like was a great fighter to 9 feet 8 inches long,
and we cannot deny that these
are still many saloons in spite of prohibition—many of these people would
the in the brown and other sharks, he comes
right out of the water when hooked and
giant out of the water when hooked and
pendicularly—a great fighter."

# Automobile Accidents.

### An Experienced Driver's Analysis of Mishaps on the Road.

To THE NEW YORK HERALD: One of your letter writers, "C. E. W.," objects to bumpers on motor cars as being the direct cause of many accidents and leafthe tresting memories of the opera and the theatre in New York recalled by your readers awakened my mind to things the theatrical of seventy years ago.

In the early '50s Castle Garden was contexted by a bridge over the water because of many accidents and lead-thying Dutchman" and "The Phantom ing to carcless driving. Has "C. E. W."

Ship" had full rigged ships rolling on ever crossed on a ferrybeat or been in seas of green canvas kept in tempestuous a line where horse drawn vehicles are waves by boys crawling under it. The and had a car or a horse drawn vehicle are only in the peep," made even the audience sea- hit his car? If so, he should be con-

Barnum's, at Broadway and Ann the Mexican war were seen in the dear It was compiled by me after driving the folks in many ways, though many Charlie White's Six Cent Minstrels, principally a New York State, though opposite the Bowery, drew great crowds and graduated many famous negro min- Jersey and as far north as Long Branch legs" was also a drawing card, as the and Christie's Broadway shows. Among due to careless driving of many kinds Florida Seminole Indian was in the day's news. The Mestayer family of dancers and Dan Emmett, the composer of in the United States since 1896 warled the freak attractions.

"Dixle," the South's pet song.

varied the freak attractions.

The Park Theatre, on Park Row near Lovejoy's Hotel, was destroyed by fire about 1851. Booth, the great J. B., was Many of the accidents caused by cars examination and then we drive as we please." The operators from New Jersey are considered by many persons the most pareless drivers in States, and, strange as it may seem, a large percentage of these careless driver lutely disregard the rules of the road.

Another cause for many city accidents s the absence of driving mirrors or taxicabs. Over 600 were passed in one day in this city and only forty-The following is my compilation of

ecidents and analysis of the causes: CAUSES OF MINOR ACCIDENTS.

street ..... ACCIDENTS FROM CARRIEDENESS.

Due to cars coming from side streets. 38

Due to broken parts of cars; old cars

Ing ..... Total ...... 93 Due to glaring headlights: 

Collisions with street cars: Total wrecks, driver's fault. 

H. M. Root. New York, February 5. Opals First in Size.

Eight Precious Stones Notable on Account of Their Weight. TO THE NEW YORK HERALD: These totes about the largest known precious stones in the rough will be of interest

merald in New York:

1. Big black epal, about the bulk of in Nevada in 1917, weighing 16.95 Troy

ounces, or 2,572.3 carats. 2. Big white opal, discovered about

South Africa in 1905, weighing 3,025% carats. Purchased for \$3,000,000 as gift to the British erown, and cut up at Amsterdam into four principal stones, one of 516% carats and one of 809 3-15 carats, being the largest solltaires in

4. Largest ruby in the rough ever mined was found in Burma in 1076 and weighed 1,154 carats.

5. The original Koh-i-noor diamond weighed 793 carats when looted from Delhi, India, by the Shah of Persia, who defeated the Great Mogul of India. But goon after the Shah's return home he recognizable part being the Orioff, or noor, which first weighed 186 carats, How but in 1851 was cut away to 105 carats thond, weighing 13015 carats, was one

680 carats and to be as large as a esty, and next to this came his kind-esty, and next to this came his kind-esty, and mext to this came his kind-pigeon's egg.

7. A sapphire found in Borneo many

into several perfect stones, the largest

"An emerald of the extraordinary y sophistica-not only to Ural Mountains in 1830." Can this be the emerald mentioned as weighing 6% pounds, or around \$,000 carats?

Murphy's life was rarely edifying, like Emeralds are mined by hydraulic flushing, because the stones are extremely friable when first exposed to the air and to stresses and shocks, just as opals are, and the care and cure of such gems

Archie Rice. NEW YORK, February 6. From Farm Life. Neighbor's Son-"Dad nants to know, can

come ever and help with

he wife con-tacherin'?"
"Well, I don't know! I haven't got that open back your pa borrowed of me cla-cenths ago."

Reassuring 'Em.
From the Streeton (Mo.) Standard.

Knowing the conditions existing in the Elkeston district, the Standard has no lees or intention of using force to collect the money due on subscriptions, but those whe are owing the small ameunts will please

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# And what is this picture of terribly companies with cornfield extensions

NEW YORK HERALD provement in quality of the birds bred contrasted sizes? Is it the tiny earth in comparatively comfortable cir-PELEPHONE, WORTH 10,000. long established breeders.

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The New York Remain was founded by James Gordon Sannett in 1835. It remained the solo property of its founder until his death, in 1872, when his son, also James Gordon Bennett, succeeded to the ownership of the paper, which remained in his hands until his death, in 1918. True Health became the property of Frank A. Munsey, its present owner, in 1920.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1921.

The Sacredness of Friendships.

Any utterance or act that tends to not learn his lessons of up to date mar the good feeling between the two sea power in Washington bureaus but his name be not revealed there is great English speaking peoples is in the very heart of the naval war. just enough of truth to make the ar-

But while the Britisher kept one

and 128,000,000 in goods under other to put the broadside power of the ceive and pay for the £104,000,000 in- our dreadnoughts in being and burn creased imports of raw materials, but the plans of all not yet in being. They to liquidate their cost and roll up a do not question that if we are to be 200 per cent, addition besides by a sea power fit to meet any other on cransforming them into £470,000,000 whatever terms and conditions we

countries from which the original raw capital ships, submarines to match When we compare the British gain destroyers. with the increase of about \$500,000,-

# the title of Workshop of the World.

Boys' and Girls' Stock Clubs. achieved through the encouragement ings of the Simses of those days to given to the boys' and girls' clubs pit invincible ironciads against the which have been established in rap- antiquated wooden frigates. filly increasing numbers all over the

itizenship later in life. The exalt be in the lowest visibility of the fu- In the second place, there is no lent practice of earning and saving ture, but the first seed catalogue of public utility all of whose business years ago. Rivalries in communities result in greater care in the breeding, bousing and grief, but the Early Giant Bush But the fat must go with the lean. and feeding of animals and poultry Lima Bean, according to illustration The essential is not to cut off the un-

ested in these boys' and girls' clubs. which it supervises in cooperation by the machinations of diplomacy, but mote its efficiency as to enable the with State agricultural colleges. Fig. there is no Machiavelli to keep down profitable major divisions to carry the ures fust lesued covering the past fis-cal year show that seven States whole page is not big enough to hold. In the third place, and bearing

ture of these exhibitions was the im-

Meanwhile, as Great Britain proceeds largely to scrap her capital it through the cellar door. Another

land, free for the time from German was forced into the national crisis to competition, is making the best of her stop the till then naval successes and

"The airplane service might well

What we said then we have iter ated and reiterated us the progress came from the finishing room, Thus, the results and the lessons of the while the increase in imports con- war have driven those truths home sisted of about one-half in manu- over and over again. We never meant factured articles, the increase of that the capital ships must be aban-#536,000,000 in exports, the total of doned so long as any other sea power which was £1.835,000,000, against maintained capital ships. Those officers £798,000,000 in 1919, was made up of of war experience who tell the coun-1479,247,000 in manufactured articles try now that the highly developed and only £34,000,000 in raw materials power of the bombing planes goes far capital ships out of commission do The trick was not to be able to re- not mean that we should scuttle all

submarines, and destroyers to match But we cannot be a properly bal-000, or nominally £100,000,000. in our anced sea power if we have all that planes to match airplanes with any ships now of diminished use and value, we cannot fall to keep pace with the most modern war engines. Splendid progress in live stock a hazard as great as when our preand poultry breeding has been vious bureaucrats opposed the urg-

own exports of manufactures, or ap- other paval strength yet lack airnation that may draw the sword ald we not perceive that Great Britain against us. Hanging to the capital whatever they be, without courting

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